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Residents object to site application

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CAMPAIGNERS have handed a 1,200-name petition to Basildon Council opposing plans for a new travellers' site in Laindon.

Residents have also written scores of objection letters against the application for 12 caravan pitches on land opposite Laindon Park Primary School, in Church Road.

Neighbours say the petition and letters show the strength of feeling against the site, which would become home to some families facing eviction from Dale Farm, in Crays Hill.

However, the travellers say the backlash proves how difficult it is for them to find anywhere legal to settle, because any plans always face such stiff opposition.

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